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Michael L. Parson
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As Director of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (“Department”), pursuant to Executive Orders 20-02 and 20-04, I am vested with the authority to temporarily waive or suspend the operation of any statutory requirement or administrative rule, upon approval of the Office of the Governor. After consultation with and receiving approval from the Office of the Governor, I am hereby waiving the following laws in order to assist the state, and its citizens prepare and respond to COVID-19 until May 15, 2020, unless otherwise modified by the Department.

Intermediate Care and Skilled Nursing Facilities

19 CSR 30-85.042(7) shall be waived to the extent that the provisions require new and existing intermediate care and skilled nursing facilities to have to enter into written agreements when outside resources are used to provide services to the residents.

19 CSR 30-85.042(9) shall be waived to the extent that the provisions require new and existing intermediate care and skilled nursing facilities to only care for the number of residents for which the facilities are licensed.

19 CSR 30-85.042(11) shall be waived to the extent that the provisions require new and existing intermediate care and skilled nursing facilities to provide regular daily visiting hours and allow relatives or guardians and clergy the ability to see critically ill residents at any time, if requested.

19 CSR 30-85.042(21) shall be waived to the extent that the provisions require new and existing intermediate care and skilled nursing facilities to conduct a comprehensive orientation program within sixty (60) days of employment with nursing assistants who have not successfully completed the state-approved training program. This waiver allows new and existing intermediate care and skilled nursing facilities to conduct a comprehensive orientation program within ninety (90) days of employment with nursing assistants who have not successfully completed the state-approved training program.

19 CSR 30-85.042(35)(B) shall be waived to allow a registered nurse to be on duty eight consecutive hours each day rather than specifically on the day shift.

Section 198.082, RSMo, and 19 CSR 30-85.042(39) shall be waived to the extent that the provisions require nursing assistants employed by new and existing intermediate care and skilled nursing facilities to have successfully completed the nursing assistant training program approved by the Department within one (1) year for licensed-only facilities or within four (4) months of employment with a federally certified facility in order to remain employed in the facility as a nursing assistant.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Randall W. Williams".

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